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E. O.11652: GDS VIENNA FOR MBFR

TAGS: PFOR

SUBJ: CSCE: GDR FOREIGN MINISTER COMMENTS ON FRONTIER  
INVOLABILITY

REF: VIENNA A-259 OF APRIL 19, 1973

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1. WE NOTE ( VIENNA A-259) THAT GDR FOREIGN MINISTER OTTO WINZER, IN ADDRESS TO AUSTRIAN FOREIGN POLICY ASSOCIATION ON APRIL 11, IMPLICITLY LINKED PROGRESS AT MBFR WITH RECOGNITION OF FRONTIER INVIOABILITY PRINCIPLE AT CSCE.

2. WINZER REMARKED, INTER ALIA, THAT:

" RECOGNITION OF THE INVIOABILITY OF THE BORDERS AND OF THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF STATES IS AN INDISPENSABLE PREREQUISITE FOR ENSURING EUROPEAN SECURITY. ONLY WHEN THESE TWO PRINCIPLES ARE BINDING ON ALL STATES OF EUROPE, CAN AN AGREED BAN ON THE USE AND THE THREAT OF FORCE HAVE ITS FULL SECURITY- PROMOTING EFFECT. LEGALLY BINDING RECOGNITION OF THE INVIOABILITY OF THE BORDERS AND THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF ALL EUROPEAN STATES CAN ALSO BE REGARDED AS A BEGIN UNDERLINE NECESSARY PRE-REQUISITE FOR UNDERSTANDING ON A REDUCTION OF FORCES AND ARMAMENTS. END UNDERLINE. TOGETHER WITH THE

SOVIET UNION AND THE OTHER SOCIALIST STATES, THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC IS MAKING ACTIVE ENDEAVORS TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE SOLUTION OF THIS ACUTE PROBLEM." THIRD SENTENCE DIRECTLY TYING " UNDERSTANDING" OF FORCE AND ARMAMENTS REDUCTION TO RECOGNITION OF SEPARATE LEGAL PRINCIPLES OF FRONTIER INVIOABILITY IS FIRST TIME, AS FAR AS WE AWARE, THAT THESE TWO ISSUESHAVE BEEN LINKED IN THIS WAY.

3. THIRD SENTENCE ALSO SPEAKS OF THE NEED FOR LEGALLY BINDING RECOGNITION OF INVIOABILITY OF FRONTIERS. PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS WITH EASTERN COUNTRIES HAVE INDICATED THAT A NON- BINDING DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY CLARIFYING INFORMATION WHICH ACTION ADDRESSEES MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE CONCERNING THESE ASPECTS WINZER REMARKS AND WHETHER GDR POSITION REFLECTED IN OTHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE REMARKS BY WARSAW  
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